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TO AMEMBASSY FREETOWN PRIORITY

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SUBJECT: ALLEGED PLOT TO KIDNAP MEMBERS OF EMBASSY
OF SIERRA LEONE

1. DEPARTMENT ADVISED BY DIPLOMATIC NOTE FROM EMBASSY
OF SIERRA LEONE OF ALLEGED PLOT BY PERSON(S) UNKNOWN
TO KIDNAP EITHER AMB. PALMER, MR. OLU HARDING FIRST SECRE-
TARY, OR MRS. HARDING, WHO DAUGHTER OF PRESIDENT STEVENS.
ALTHOUGH DETAILS OF ALLEGED PLOT SKETCHY, DEPT SUSPECTS
IT MOTIVATED BY RESULTS OF RECENTLY CONCLUDED TRIAL IN
FREETOWN. BOTH AMB. PALMER AND MR. HARDING PRESENTLY
UNAVAILABLE TO PROVIDE FURTHER INFORMATION RE THREAT.

2. UPON RECEIPT OF NOTE FROM EMBASSY, OFFICE OF PROTOCOL
IMMEDIATELY NOTIFIED OFFICE OF SECURITY, WHO IN TURN
ALERTED FBI. LATTER PLANNING TO QUERY EMBASSY OFFICERS
IN ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL INFO RE NATURE OF THREAT.
OFFICE OF SECURITY ALSO ALERTED EXECUTIVE PROTECTIVE
SERVICE AND MONTGOMERY COUNTY POLICE. BOTH AGENCIES HAVE
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AGREED TO BEEF UP PATROLS IN AREA OF AMBASSADOR'S AND

FIRST SECRETARY'S RESIDENCES UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

3. DEPT WILL PROVIDE ADDITIONAL DETAILS AS THEY BECOME
AVAILABLE. INGERSOLL

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